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HOUSE RESOLUTION 25 of the First Extraordinary Session
By Rinks

A RESOLUTION to honor Alana Delise Teague upon being
named 1999 Tennessee Teacher of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those extraordinary Tennesseans who have accomplished much in their respective careers; and

WHEREAS, Alana Delise Teague is one such individual who is deserving of the recognition of this body, having been named the 1999 Tennessee Teacher of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Teague received a BA degree from Blue Mountain College, attended Union University and Belmont University and is currently working on her Master's thesis in Journalism at the University of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, in 1985, she began her teaching career at Bethel Springs Elementary School where she remained until 1989. In 1990, she began teaching at McNairy Central High School where she continues to teach a variety of subjects including English, Speech and Media Skills and has coached softball and basketball; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Teague has participated in numerous activities and committees aimed at improving education and teacher effectiveness, including the Teacher's Study Council, the Education Edge School-to-Career Grant Committee, Technology Literacy Grant Committee, the National Honor Society Selection Committee and as School Improvement Plan Steering Committee Chairperson; and

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WHEREAS, she is a published author and photographer and her articles have appeared in numerous Tennessee and Mississippi publications; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Teague participates in numerous professional associations, including Delta Kappa Gamma, the National Softball Coaches Association, the Tennessee Athletic Coaches Association and the National Council of Teachers of English; and

WHEREAS, her outstanding talent as an educator has not gone unnoticed and she has numerous awards and recognition to her credit, including Tennessee's Outstanding Achievement Award, Southwest District Teacher of the Year, McNairy County System Teacher of the Year, McNairy Central High School Teacher of the Year and *Who's Who Among America's Teachers*; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Teague also finds time in her busy schedule to maintain an active involvement in the community including distributing fruit baskets to the elderly, contributing to the Special Olympics, St. Jude Hospital, the Salvation Army; maintaining memberships in the McNairy County Historical Society and McNairy Central High School's Rebounders Club and Softball Boosters; and

WHEREAS, she has evinced her devout religious faith as a member of the Unity Baptist Church in Ramer, where she is a preschool teacher; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Teague is dedicated to education, her students and the entire citizenry of McNairy County and this state; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we honor and congratulate Ms. Alana Delise Teague upon being named the 1999 Tennessee Teacher of the Year and commend her for her untiring commitment to education and preparing the leaders of tomorrow.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

